

# COUNTY OF YORK

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** June 26, 2003 (BOS Mtg. 7/15/03)

**TO:** York County Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** James O. McReynolds, County Administrator

**SUBJECT:** Joint Sanitary Board between James City County and York County

The purpose of this memo is to provide to the Board of Supervisors a brief summary of a Joint Sanitary Board (JSB) established between James City County and York County by an agreement executed in 1960 (and amended in 1962 and again in 2000) and justification on why it should now be dissolved.

The JSB provided joint construction, maintenance and operation of a Sewage Collection System and Sewage Treatment Plant located in the vicinity of Lodge Road in the upper end of the County. The area formerly serviced by the JSB extends from the old treatment facility site adjacent to Water Country USA to a pump station (known as Pump Station "B") in James City County along Route 143 next to the old Frank's Truck Stop. The Sewage Treatment Plant has since been abandoned and R00-118 approved by the York County Board of Supervisors on July 18, 2000, authorized the purchase of James City County's interest in the property for \$6,600, in accordance with a formula set out in the agreement. The only remaining assets of the joint board are 2,000 feet of gravity line in York County and Pump Station "B" in James City County.

Both jurisdictions have been operating their each respective items of infrastructure independently for several years now, which is the compelling reason to dissolve the JSB. However, James City County continues to operate Pump Station "B" which receives approximately 58% of its sewerage flows from York County, whereas only 3% of the sewerage flow through the 2,000 feet of gravity sewer comes from James City County.

The staffs from both jurisdictions have met several times and have negotiated a fair and equitable agreement whereby the JSB would be officially dissolved, while James City County will continue to receive sewage flows from York County at Pump Station "B", and York would continue to allow sewage from James City County to flow through the 2,000 feet of pipe located in York County. York County would pay to James City County a sum of money during each year as reimbursement for the cost of pumping the sewage flows from York, with \$8,500 to be paid in the first year, that amount to be increased by three percent each year thereafter. That sum is calculated to cover about one-half of the cost of the operation and maintenance of Pump Station "B" over the years. The operation and maintenance cost will be re-evaluated each subsequent five-year period. Neither jurisdiction would be required to "buy out" the other jurisdiction's cost of either the pump station or the sewer line.

I recommend approval of R03-116.

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Attachment:

- Agreement to Dissolve Joint Sanitary Board